(b) if so, the action proposed for timely payment to such small-scale industries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABH BHAI RAMJIBHAI KATHIRIA): (a) Generally, HCL has been paying its raw material suppliers regularly except in cases of disputes relating to quantity, quality, delivery schedule etc. During 2001-2002 the selling price of PIJF Cables came down by around 17% compared to the actual price in the previous year leading to a drastic squeeze in the operating margins and working captial crunch. This has delayed payment to suppliers of raw materials.

(b) Measures to deal with the problem including efforts to obtain release of substantial orders for PIJF cables for the year 2002 along with advance which materializing will be helpful in making payment to material suppliers.

**VRS to PSU employees**

4865. SHRI VIJAY J. DARDA: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whehter it is a fact that a Vountary Retirement Scheme has been notified w.e.f. the 5th May, 2000 for public sector undertaking employees;

(b) if so, the number of employees who sought voluntary retirement in each of the public sector undertakings till the end of March, 2002;

(c) the total amount of compensation paid to these employees;

(d) whether any of the public sector undertaking has also been wound up as a result thereof; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABH BHAI RAMJI BHAI KATHIRIA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Since inception of voluntary retirement scheme in October, 1988 and upto March 2001, upto which period information is available, 3,69,277 employees opted for voluntary retirement. Enterprise-wise details are enclosed as statement (*See* below). A total amount of Rs. 6930.45 crore of compensation has been paid to the VR optees.

(d) No public sector undertaking has been wound up, as a result of the employees going on voluntary retirement.

(e) Does not arise in view of above.

***Statement***

*Number of Central Public Sector Employees who opted for VRS till 31st March, 2001*

| S.No. | Name of PSE | No. of Employees |
|---|---|---|
| 1. | Air India Ltd. | 17 |
| 2. | Andaman & Nicobar Isl. Forest & Plant. Dev. Corp. Ltd. | 4 |
| 3. | Andrew Yule & Company Ltd. | 670 |
| 4. | Balmer Lawrie & Co. Ltd. | 815 |
| 5. | Bengal Chemicals & Pharmaceuticals Ltd. | 643 |
| 6. | Bengal Immunity Ltd. | 361 |
| 7. | Bharat Aluminium Co. Ltd. | 1245 |
| 8. | Bharat Brakes & Valves Ltd. | 307 |
| 9. | Bharat Dynamics Ltd. | 233 |
| 10. | Bharat Earth Movers Ltd. | 2940 |
| 11. | Bharat Electonics Ltd. | 4482 |
| 12. | Bharat Gold Mines Ltd. | 4901 |
| 13. | Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd. | 9861 |
| 14. | Bharat Heavy Plate & Vessels Ltd. | 936 |
| 15. | Bharat Leather Corpn. Ltd. | 112 |
| 16. | Bharat Ophthalmic Glass Ltd. | 326 |
| 17. | Bharat Process & Mechanical Engineers Ltd. | 988 |
| 18. | Bharat Pumps & Compressors Ltd. | 263 |
| 19. | Bharat Refractories Ltd. | 931 |
| 20. | Bharat Wagon & Engineering Ltd. | 142 |
| 21. | Biecco Lawrie Ltd. | 521 |

| S.No. | Name of PSE | No. of Employees |
|---|---|---|
| 22. | Birds, Jute & Exports Ltd. | 32 |
| 23. | Braithwaite & Co. Ltd. | 1405 |
| 24. | Bridge & Roof Co. (India) Ltd. | 451 |
| 25. | British India Corporation Ltd. | 2425 |
| 26. | Brushware Ltd. | 33 |
| 27. | Burn Standard Company Ltd. | 5068 |
| 28. | C.M.C. Ltd. | 48 |
| 29. | Cawnpore Textile Ltd. | 1124 |
| 30. | Cement Corpn. of India Ltd. | 605 |
| 31. | Central Cottage Industries Corpn. of India Ltd. | 173 |
| 32. | Central Electronics Ltd. | 122 |
| 33. | Central Inland Water Transport Corpn. Ltd. | 1224 |
| 34. | Central Ware Housing Corpn. Ltd. | 884 |
| 35. | Chennai Petroleum Corpn. Ltd. | 38 |
| 36—44. | Coal India Ltd. (including 8 subsidiaries) | 63813 |
| 45. | Cochin Shipyard Ltd. | 245 |
| 46. | Cotton Corpn. of India Ltd. | 13 |
| 47. | Cycle Corporation of India | 2814 |
| 48. | Dredging Corpn. of India Ltd. | 137 |
| 49. | Electronics Corpn. of India Ltd. | 1495 |
| 50. | Electronics Trade & Technology Dev. Corpn. Ltd. | 47 |
| 51. | Elgin Mills Compnay Ltd. | 4648 |
| 52. | Engineering Projects (India) Ltd. | 200 |
| 53. | Engineers India Ltd. | 126 |
| 54. | Fertilizers & Chemicals (Travancore) Ltd. | 393 |
| 55. | Fertilizers Corporation of India Ltd. | 1599 |
| 56. | Food Corporation of India Ltd. | 18 |
| 57. | Garden Reach Shipbuilders & Engineers Ltd. | 425 |
| 58. | Goa Shipyard Ltd. | 3 |

| S.No. | Name of PSE | No. of Employees |
|---|---|---|
| 59. | HTL Ltd. | 504 |
| 60. | Handicrafts & Handlooms Exports Corpn. India Ltd. | 155 |
| 61. | Heavy Engineering Corp. Ltd. | 6941 |
| 62. | Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd. | 3369 |
| 63. | Hindustan Antibiotics Ltd. | 517 |
| 64. | Hindustan Cables Ltd. | 3315 |
| 65. | Hindustan Copper Ltd. | 12079 |
| 66. | Hindustan Fertilizer Corpn. Ltd. | 1872 |
| 67. | Hindustan Insecticides Ltd. | 263 |
| 68. | Hindustan Latex Ltd. | 131 |
| 69. | Hindustan Newsprint Ltd. | 79 |
| 70. | Hindustan Organic Chemicals Ltd. | 189 |
| 71. | Hindustan Paper Corporation Ltd. | 73 |
| 72. | Hindustan Photo Films Manufacturing Corpn. Ltd. | 1324 |
| 73. | Hindustan Prefab Ltd. | 570 |
| 74. | Hindustan Salts Ltd. | 308 |
| 75. | Hindustan Shipyard Ltd. | 2150 |
| 76. | Hindustan Steel Works Construction Ltd. | 14202 |
| 77. | Hindustan Vegetable Oils Corpn. Ltd. | 2037 |
| 78. | Hindustan Zinc Ltd. | 3002 |
| 79. | HMT Ltd. | 10454 |
| 80. | HMT (Bearings) Ltd. | 203 |
| 81. | HMT (International) Ltd. | 44 |
| 82. | Hooghly Dock and Port Engineers Ltd. | 661 |
| 83. | Hooghly Printing Co. Ltd. | 12 |
| 84. | Hotel Corporation of India Ltd. | 91 |
| 85. | ITI Ltd. | 6365 |
| 86. | I.B.P. Co. Ltd. | 135 |

| S.No. | Name of PSE | No. of Employees |
|---|---|---|
| 87. | India Tourism Dev. Corpn. Ltd. | 973 |
| 88. | India Trade Promotion Organisation | 69 |
| 89. | Indian Airlines Ltd. | 232 |
| 90. | Indian Drugs & Pharmaceuticals Ltd. | 3543 |
| 91. | Indian Iron & Steel Co. Ltd. | 2227 |
| 92. | Indian Oil Blending Ltd. | 32 |
| 93. | Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. | 2413 |
| 94. | Indian Petro Chemicals Corpn. Ltd. | 137 |
| 95. | Indian Rare Earths Ltd. | 95 |
| 96. | Indian Road Construction Corpn. Ltd. | 117 |
| 97. | Instrumentation Ltd. | 1581 |
| 98. | IRCON (International) Ltd. | 475 |
| 99. | Jessop & Co. Ltd. | 1899 |
| 100. | Jute Corpn. of India Ltd. | 217 |
| 101. | Karnataka Antibiotics & Pharmaceuticals Ltd. | 25 |
| 102. | Kudremukh Iron Ore Co. Ltd. | 102 |
| 103. | Madras Fertilizers Ltd. | 242 |
| 104. | Maharashtra Electrosmelt Ltd. | 93 |
| 105. | Mandya National Paper Mills Ltd. | 950 |
| 106. | Manganese Ore (India) Ltd. | 679 |
| 107. | Mazagon Dock Ltd. | 2566 |
| 108. | Mettallurgical & Engineering Consultants (I) Ltd. | 350 |
| 109. | Mineral Exploration Corpn. Ltd. | 4654 |
| 110. | Mining & Allied Machinery Corpn. | 4611 |
| 111. | Mishra Dhatu Nigam Ltd. | 63 |
| 112. | MMTC Ltd. | 1644 |
| 113. | Nagaland Pulp & Paper Company Ltd. | 336 |
| 114. | National Aluminium Company Ltd. | 28 |

| S.No. | Name of PSE | No. of Employees |
|---|---|---|
| 115. | National Bicycle Corpn. Ltd. | 1289 |
| 116. | National Bldg. Constn. Corpn. Ltd. | 473 |
| 117. | National Film Dev. Corpn. Ltd. | 96 |
| 118. | National Hydro Electric Power Coorporation Ltd. | 1155 |
| 119. | National Industrial Dev. Corpn. Ltd. | 140 |
| 120. | National Instruments Ltd. | 600 |
| 121. | National Jute Manufacturers Corporation Ltd. | 3385 |
| 122. | National Mineral Development Corporation Ltd. | 335 |
| 123. | National Projects Construction Corpn. Ltd. | 2306 |
| 124. | National Seeds Corpn. Ltd. | 768 |
| 125. | National Small Scale Industries Corpn. Ltd. | 472 |
| 126. | National Thermal Power Corporation Ltd. | 639 |
| 127. | Nepa Ltd. | 1238 |
| 128. | Neyveli Lignite Corpn. Ltd. | 2104 |
| 129. | North Eastern Handicrafts & Handloom Dev. Crop. Ltd. | 10 |
| 130. | North Eastern Regional Agricultural Marketg. Corp. Ltd. | 19 |
| 131. | NTC (HC) Ltd. | 38 |
| 132. | NTC (Tamil Nadu & Pondicherry) Ltd. | 5215 |
| 133. | NTC (A. Pradesh, Karnataka, Kerala & Mahe.) Ltd. | 8060 |
| 134. | NTC (Delhi, Punjab & Rajasthan) Ltd. | 3128 |
| 135. | NTC (Gujarat) Ltd. | 10238 |
| 136. | NTC (Madhya Pradesh) Ltd. | 8619 |
| 137. | NTC (Maharashtra North) Ltd. | 13479 |
| 138. | NTC (South Maharashtra) Ltd. | 12628 |
| 139. | NTC (Uttar Pradesh) Ltd. | 10664 |
| 140. | NTC (West Bengal, Assam, Bihar & Orissa) Ltd. | 9071 |
| 141. | Oil & Natural Gas Corporation Ltd. | 4893 |
| 142. | Oil India Ltd. | 126 |

| S.No. | Name of PSE | No. of Employees |
|---|---|---|
| 143. | ONGC Videsh Ltd. | 3 |
| 144. | PEC Ltd. | 35 |
| 145. | Paradeep Phosphates Ltd. | 25 |
| 146. | Praga Tools Ltd. | 540 |
| 147. | Projects & Development India Ltd. | 719 |
| 148. | Pyrites, Phosphates & Chemicals Ltd. | 864 |
| 149. | Rajasthan Electronics & Instruments Ltd. | 1 |
| 150. | Rashtriya Chemicals and Fertilizers Ltd. | 240 |
| 151. | RBL Ltd. | 264 |
| 152. | Rehabilitation Industries Corpn. Ltd. | 2209 |
| 153. | Richardson & Crudas (1972) Ltd. | 2672 |
| 154. | Sambhar Salts Ltd. | 126 |
| 155. | Scooters India Ltd. | 1098 |
| 156. | Semi-Conductor Complex Ltd. | 20 |
| 157. | Smith Stanistreet & Pharmaceuticals Ltd. | 336 |
| 158. | Spices Trading Corporation Ltd. | 10 |
| 159. | Sponge Iron India Ltd. | 266 |
| 160. | State Farms Corpn. | 389 |
| 161. | State Trading Corpn. of India Ltd. | 1065 |
| 162. | Steel Authority of India | 31073 |
| 163. | Tannery & Footwear Corporation of India Ltd. | 932 |
| 164. | Tea Trading Corpn. of India Ltd. | 406 |
| 165. | Triveni Structurals Ltd. | 979 |
| 166. | Tungabhadra Steel Products Ltd. | 310 |
| 167. | Tyre Corporation of India Ltd. | 1313 |
| 168. | Vignyan Industries Ltd. | 95 |
| 169. | Weighbird India Ltd. | 395 |
| | TOTAL: | 369277 |